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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

John J. Sauk

Examiner: Christopher H. Yaen

Serial No.: 09/936,565

Group Art Unit: 1642

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Title: SURFACE LOCALIZED COLLIGIN/HsP47 IN CARCINOMA CELLS

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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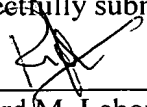
Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 20, 2004, Applicants hereby elect with traverse Group XXXI, claims 24-26 and 29-32 (SEQ ID NO: 1).

All the claims in the application involve related subject matter, e.g., peptides which bind to HSP47. A search would therefore comprise overlapping subject matter, and it would not be an undue burden on the examiner to carry out a search. "If search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner *must* examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct invention." (Emphasis added.) M.P.E.P. 803. Accordingly, withdrawal of the restriction is respectfully requested.

No fee is believed to be due with this response, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,

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